

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1299
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2000
IMPORT OF NATURAL RUBBER
SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the United Planters' Association of Southern India(UPASI) has requested the Government to continue the suspension of import of natural rubber under the Advance Licensing Scheme till the prices improved in the country to a reasonable level;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

- (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The ban imposed in February 1999 is continuing.